

## Message Text

PAGE 01 NATO 04582 271259Z

43

ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 IO-14 ISO-00 EURE-00 SS-20 SCI-06 EPA-04 NSC-07

HEW-08 DOTE-00 INT-08 HUD-02 DODE-00 CEQ-02 EB-11

CIAE-00 PM-07 INR-11 L-03 ACDA-19 NSAE-00 PA-04

RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-03 USIA-15 TRSE-00 SAJ-01 DRC-01

/174 W

----- 070287

P R 271215Z AUG 74

FM USMISSION NATO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7280

INFO ALL NATO CAPITALS 4343

USMISSION EC BRUSSELS

USMISSION OECD PARIS

USMISSION GENEVA

UNCLAS USNATO 4582

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SENV, NATO

SUBJECT: CCMS: COASTAL WATER POLLUTION - OIL SPILLS RESOLUTION

FOLLOW-UP MEETING AT NATO, SEPTEMBER 26-27, 1974

REF: USNATO 4261

SUMMARY: BELGIUM WILL HOLD FOLLOW-UP MEETING AT NATO  
SEPTEMBER 26-27 ON CCMS 1970 OIL SPILLS RESOLUTION. DETAILS  
FOLLOW. END SUMMARY.

1. BELGIAN NATO DEL HAS JUST CIRCULATED OFFICIAL INVITATION  
AT NATO FOR ALLIED COUNTRIES TO PARTICIPATE IN A "ROUNDTABLE"  
TO BE CHAIRED BY BELGIUM AT NATO, SEPTEMBER 26-27, 1974, ON FOLLOW-  
UP TO THE 1970 OIL SPILLS RESOLUTIONS, AS ALREADY SIGNED BY  
BELGIAN DEL AT CCMS SPRING PLENARY IN TURIN AND MORE RECENTLY  
HERE AT NATO (REFTEL). ACCORDING TO BELGIAN NOTE, GOB  
AUTHORITIES BELIEVE THAT THE MOMENT HAS COME TO ESTABLISH  
UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 NATO 04582 271259Z

A CONCRETE REPORT ON THE CURRENT SITUATION WITH  
RESPECT TO EACH OF THE 1970 RECOMMENDATIONS ON OIL SPILLS IN  
ORDER TO PRESENT A FINAL REPORT ON THIS SUBJECT TO  
CCMS IN 1975. IN ORDER TO DEVELOP A "REALISTIC" REPORT,

BELGIAN AUTHORITIES BELIEVE IT DESIRABLE THAT EACH PARTICIPATING DELEGATION TO THE FORTHCOMING MEETING INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE MEMBER WHO HAS HAD RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUTTING INTO EFFECT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN QUESTION.

2. THE GOB'S PROPOSED AGENDA FOR THE MEETING IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. ANALYSIS OF THE CURRENT SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO:

- PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTAL AND DELIBERATE POLLUTION.
- TECHNICAL EVALUATION OF THE RISK OF OIL POLLUTION OF THE SEA;  
SCIENTIFIC ASPECTS OF KNOWLEDGE OF OIL POLLUTION.
- TECHNICAL COUNTERMEASURES TO CONTROL DAMAGE FROM OIL SPILLS.
- ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN AND FUTURE ACTIONS PLANNED.

B. EXAMINATION OF THE NOVEMBER 1970 RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE LIGHT OF THE CURRENT SITUATION. FURTHER DETAILS ON THE MEETING WILL BE PROVIDED BY BELGIUM IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

COMMENT: AS NOTED REFTEL (WHICH REPORTED PRELIMINARY BELGIAN PLANS FOR THIS MEETING AND INCLUDED TEXT OF CCMS 1970 OIL SPILLS RESOLUTION), WE BELIEVE MEETING SHOULD PROVIDE EXCELLENT VEHICLE FOR USING TO FURTHER GOOD EFFECT THE LEVERAGE THE RESOLUTION PROVIDES WITH NATO ALLIES TO INTENSIFY INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO END OIL SPILLS. WE ALSO BELIEVE THIS MEETING SIGNIFICANT IN TERMS OF REINFORCING CCMS FOLLOW-UP EFFORTS ACROSS THE BOARD. ACCORDINGLY, WE RECOMMEND THAT U.S. BE EXPECIALLY WELL REPRESENTED AND THAT CALIBER OF U.S. DELEGATION BE COMMUNICATED TO OTHER ALLIES THROUGH USNATO AT EARLY DATE IN ORDER SUPPORT EFFECTIVELY BELGIUM'S EFFORTS TO ATTRACT ATTENDEES AT SUFFICIENTLY RESPONSIBLE LEVEL TO ENSURE MEANINGFUL OUTCOME. COPY OF BELGIAN NOTE  
UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 NATO 04582 271259Z

(IN FRENCH) BEING POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT (RPM-SCHOLLAERT AND EPA-HARRIS).  
RUMSFELD

UNCLASSIFIED

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 11 JUN 1999  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 27 AUG 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** n/a  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974ATO04582  
**Document Source:** ADS  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** n/a  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** NATO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19740888/abbrywuf.tel  
**Line Count:** 100  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** n/a  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** USNATO 4261  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** golinofr  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 30 MAY 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <30 MAY 2002 by reddocgw>; APPROVED <26 JUN 2002 by golinofr>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** CCMS: COASTAL WATER POLLUTION - OIL SPILLS RESOLUTION FOLLOW-UP MEETING AT NATO, SEPTEMBER 26-27, 1974  
**TAGS:** SENV, NATO  
**To:** STATE INFO ALL NATO CAPITALS  
EC BRUSSELS  
OECD PARIS  
GENEVA  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005